DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign-Trade Zones Board
B–86–2014
Production Activity Not Authorized; Foreign-Trade Zone 57—Charlotte, North Carolina; Gildan Yarns, LLC; (Cotton, Cotton/Polyester Yarns); Salisbury, North Carolina

On December 8, 2014, the Charlotte Regional Partnership, grantee of FTZ 57, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) Board on behalf of Gildan Yarns, LLC, in Salisbury, North Carolina.

The notification was processed in accordance with the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR part 400), including notice in the Federal Register inviting public comment (79 FR 75532, 12–18–2014). Pursuant to Section 400.37, the FTZ Board has determined that further review is warranted and has not authorized the proposed activity. If the applicant wishes to seek authorization for this activity, it will need to submit an application for production authority, pursuant to Section 400.23.

Dated: April 8, 2015.
Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign-Trade Zones Board
B–20–2015
Foreign-Trade Zone (FTZ) 50—Long Beach, California; Notification of Proposed Production Activity; Mercedes Benz USA, LLC; (Accessorizing Motor Vehicles); Long Beach, California

The Port of Long Beach, grantee of FTZ 50, submitted a notification of proposed production activity to the FTZ Board on behalf of Mercedes Benz USA, LLC (MBUSA), located in Long Beach, California. The notification conforming to the requirements of the regulations of the FTZ Board (15 CFR 400.22) was received on March 24, 2015.

The MBUSA facility is located within Site 41 of FTZ 50. The facility is used for accessorizing passenger motor vehicles. Pursuant to 15 CFR 400.14(b), FTZ activity would be limited to the specific foreign-status materials and components and specific finished products described in the submitted notification (as described below) and subsequently authorized by the FTZ Board.

Production under FTZ procedures could exempt MBUSA from customs duty payments on the foreign status components used in export production. On its domestic sales, MBUSA would be able to choose the duty rate during customs entry procedures that applies to passenger motor vehicles (duty rate – 2.5%) for the foreign status components noted below. Customs duties also could possibly be deferred or reduced on foreign status production equipment.

The components sourced from abroad include: Plastic door sills and strips; wheel rim locks; metal door sills and strips; memory cards; navigation systems and related parts; entertainment systems; wiring sets and harnesses; storage compartments; spoilers; and, cup holders (duty rate ranges from free to 5%).

Public comment is invited from interested parties. Submissions shall be addressed to the FTZ Board’s Executive Secretary at the address below. The closing period for their receipt is May 26, 2015.

A copy of the notification will be available for public inspection at the Office of the Executive Secretary, Foreign-Trade Zones Board, Room 21013, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue NW., Washington, DC 20230–0002, and in the “Reading Room” section of the FTZ Board’s Web site, which is accessible via www.trade.gov/ftz.

For further information, contact Pierre Duy at Pierre.Duy@trade.gov or (202) 482–1378.

Dated: April 7, 2015.
Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Foreign-Trade Zones Board

Reorganization of Foreign-Trade Zone 286; (Expansion of Service Area); Under Alternative Site Framework; Caledonia, Essex and Orleans Counties, Vermont

Pursuant to its authority under the Foreign-Trade Zones Act of June 18, 1934, as amended (19 U.S.C. 81a–81u), the Foreign-Trade Zones Board (the Board) adopts the following Order:

 Whereas, the Board adopted the alternative site framework (ASF) (15 CFR Sec. 400.2(c)) as an option for the establishment or reorganization of zones;

 Whereas, the Northeastern Vermont Development Association, grantee of FTZ 286, submitted an application to the Board (FTZ Docket B–60–2014, docketed 08–27–2014) for authority to expand the service area of the zone to include Lamoille County, as described in the application, adjacent to the Derby Line Customs and Border Protection port of entry;

 Whereas, notice inviting public comment was given in the Federal Register (79 FR 52300, 09–03–14) and the application has been processed pursuant to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations; and,

 Whereas, the Board adopts the findings and recommendations of the examiner’s report, and finds that the requirements of the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations are satisfied;

 Now, therefore, the Board hereby orders:

 The application to reorganize FTZ 286 to expand the service area under the ASF is approved, subject to the FTZ Act and the Board’s regulations, including Section 400.13, and to the Board’s standard 2,000-acre activation limit for the zone.

 Signed at Washington, DC this 3rd day of April 2015.

Paul Piquado,
Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Enforcement and Compliance, Alternate Chairman, Foreign-Trade Zones Board.

ATTEST:

Andrew McGilvray,
Executive Secretary.